

CERTIFICATION OF ENROLLMENT

**SUBSTITUTE HOUSE BILL 1535**

56th Legislature  
1999 Regular Session

Passed by the House March 8, 1999  
Yeas 97 Nays 0

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**Speaker of the House of Representatives**

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**Speaker of the House of Representatives**

Passed by the Senate April 8, 1999  
Yeas 42 Nays 0

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**President of the Senate**

Approved

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Governor of the State of Washington

CERTIFICATE

We, Dean R. Foster and Timothy A. Martin, Co-Chief Clerks of the House of Representatives of the State of Washington, do hereby certify that the attached is **SUBSTITUTE HOUSE BILL 1535** as passed by the House of Representatives and the Senate on the dates hereon set forth.

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**Chief Clerk**

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**Secretary of State  
State of Washington**

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**By** House Committee on Health Care (originally sponsored by Representatives Parlette, Cody, Schual-Berke, Romero, Ruderman, Esser, Hatfield, Boldt, Campbell, Pflug and Alexander)

Read first time 02/19/1999.

1       AN ACT Relating to health maintenance organizations' reimbursement  
2 of podiatric physicians and surgeons; adding a new section to chapter  
3 48.46 RCW; and creating a new section.

4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:

5       NEW SECTION.   **Sec. 1.** A new section is added to chapter 48.46 RCW  
6 to read as follows:

7       Except to the extent that a health maintenance organization  
8 contracts with a group medical practice which only treats that  
9 organization's patients, a health maintenance organization may not  
10 discriminate in the terms and conditions, including reimbursement, for  
11 the provision of foot care services between physicians and surgeons  
12 licensed under chapters 18.22, 18.57, and 18.71 RCW.

13       NEW SECTION.   **Sec. 2.** This act is intended to be procedural and  
14 not to impair the obligation of any existing contract.

15       NEW SECTION.   **Sec. 3.** If any provision of this act or its  
16 application to any person or circumstance is held invalid, the

1 remainder of the act or the application of the provision to other  
2 persons or circumstances is not affected.

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